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CONGRESSMAN BADLY HURT

Representative Tongue of Oregon Struck by a Street Car.

CUT ABOUT THE HEAD AND FACE

He Had Just Returned From a Trip to Monticello and Was Trying to Board a Car at Sixth and the Avenue—Removed to Providence Hospital.

Hon. Thomas H. Tongue, Congressman from Oregon, met with a serious accident last night while attempting to board a Capital Traction car at Pennsylvania avenue and Sixth street. He is now at Providence hospital, suffering from painful cuts and bruises about the head and face.

Mr. Tongue had returned shortly before 8 o'clock from Monticello, the home of Jefferson, where a party of fifteen Senators and Representatives, including Senators Deboe, Gallinger, Turner, Jones, Berry, Butler, Hawley, and others had passed the day with Mr. Jefferson. The present owner of the grounds. The train reached Washington a few minutes before 8 o'clock, and as the party came out of the depot the majority boarded cars for their homes.

Mr. Tongue, however, remained standing at the corner of Sixth street, in conversation with Representative Pierce of Tennessee, who was also a member of the party.

Mr. Pierce had just left his fellow Congressman and boarded a car going east. Mr. Tongue was waiting for a car on the Fourteenth street line, which had stopped on the opposite side of Sixth street. When it had started ahead the Congressman ran to catch it and in doing so was struck by car No. 13 of the Fourteenth street line, going east. In his haste to catch the west-bound car, Mr. Tongue apparently did not observe the approach of the train going east, and ran directly into the grip car before Gripman Beaufort could set the brakes and bring the train to a stop.

The corner of the tender struck both his feet just above the ankles, and instead of jolking him up, he was hurled forward several feet and struck heavily upon his head. A crowd gathered around the unfortunate man, and he was picked up unconscious, and taken into Dr. Harper's drug store, adjoining the Metropolitan hotel, by Policemen Elliott and Conductor J. Jones. Senator Hawley, who had also been waiting for the car, recognized the injured man, and a call was sent for the Emergency Hospital ambulance. In the meantime, Dr. G. B. Lee, of No. 424 Seventh street southwest, who was upon the scene, was called in and administered a temporary dressing to the wounds. He found the Congressman suffering from concussion of the brain and a number of painful abrasions and lacerations.

Sergeant Arms Russell, of the House, and Capt. Gardner, chief of police of the Capitol, took charge of the injured man, and insisted that he be taken to Providence Hospital, to which place he was removed in a carriage. After reaching the institution Mr. Tongue partially regained consciousness, and late last night was reported as doing fairly well.

Mr. Tongue is serving his first term in Congress, as a Representative from Oregon, having been elected in June, 1896. He resides at No. 1014 Fifteenth street northwest. No member of his family is in the city.

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CONFERRING ABOUT CUBA

The President Sounding Senators on the Situation.

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Passage by the Senate of the Belligerency Resolution Caused the Trouble.

Madrid, May 21.—An altercation took place today in the lobby of the Cortes between the Duke of Tetuan, minister of foreign affairs, and a Liberal senator, in reference to a statement the foreign minister had just made in the Senate regarding the resolution adopted yesterday by the American Senate, recognizing the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. The two statesmen used very warm language, and finally the Duke of Tetuan boxed his adversary's ears. This caused a great commotion in the lobby, and, the fact becoming known in the Senate, it led to much excitement, amid which the sitting was suspended.

The Liberals immediately assembled to consider the situation, and a summons was sent to Senator Sagasta, who, however, was absent.

The Ministerialists also met and sent an urgent summons to Prime Minister Canovas del Castillo, but he, too, was absent.

After a conference with his colleagues, the Duke of Tetuan resigned his office, the portfolio of which will be taken up interim by the prime minister.

The senator whose ears were boxed was Senator Comas, who had raised the question of the action of the American Senate.

In the Chamber of Representatives Senator Moret questioned the prime minister on the subject of the resolution. Senator Canovas declared that the government entirely approved of Capt. Gen. Weyler's policy, and accepted responsibility therefor. It had full confidence in his statements concerning the decline of the rebellion.

The government, the prime minister added, had no diplomatic information to communicate to Parliament. Its exchanges of views with the powers regarding Cuba had always been unofficial. The powers maintained great reserve in the matter, but their attitude indicated the belief that they would not offer effective intervention.

The exchange of communications with the United States had been friendly, but Spain had refused the proffered American mediation and had declared that she would not admit foreign interference.

Senator Moret pressed Senator Canovas for definite information regarding the belligerency resolution. Senator Canovas replied guardedly.

The Liberal members of the Senate have decided not to attend the sittings of that body until the Duke of Tetuan gives satisfaction to Senator Comas and the Liberal party for the insult he has given him and it.

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GRATITUDE'S TEAR.

Burgess says that the wounds in the head and forehead, which the body presented, could not have been inflicted by himself by Dr. Ruiz, because of their position. The head of Dr. Ruiz was evidently struck by another person with some hard instrument, probably of iron, which fractured the skull and caused hemorrhage of the brain. The wound in the forehead and the marks in the hand, Dr. Burgess thinks, indicate that the murdered man tried with his hands to protect his head against the assault of somebody armed with a heavy club or piece of iron.

The declarations of the officials of the jail of Guanabacoa are considered worthless by the American consulate.

The counsel for the Spaniards, Senator Enrique Roig, says that the message of Dr. Ruiz to his widow and children, written on a chair in his prison, appears to be a "fake." Senator Roig is a young man, under twenty-five years of age, who is doing all in his power to thwart and delay the investigation.

A well informed person told your correspondent today that the end of all will be that the parties will never come to a conclusion satisfactory to both, for which reason Mr. Calhoun will be obliged to give up the investigation and report to his Government.

About the general situation in the island, Mr. McKinley's commissioner has received much evidence that the war will be endless unless the United States interfere, and that such interference is the solution desired by all the business men in the island.

Consul General Lee's report about the distress in Cuba has been confirmed fully by Mr. Calhoun, as well as the impossibility of Spain's quelling the revolution by force of arms. Mr. Calhoun will send a long letter to President McKinley tomorrow, embodying all he knows about the situation. An official report in extenso will be made later.

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AN AMERICAN MONTE CARLO

Palatial Gambling House to Be Erected at Tia Juana.

Jesse Grant Interested in the Concession Obtained for It From the Mexican Government.

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It is said that Grant does not intend to enter the business, but that Eastern people are prepared to take control of this feature of the concession, while Grant attends to the colonization and the development of the mineral waters. The identity of the Eastern people is not known, but it is learned that the Dwyers are figuring on the purchase of the Brown and San Antonio ranches some miles below Tia Juana, to be used for raising racing stock.

A local real estate man who is handling the matter for Grant and his associates is authority for the statement that the intended purchasers will build the finest gambling house in the world at the springs, to cost \$2,000,000, to run every game of chance known, including a lottery.

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It was a vacant lot, and no one knew anything of the place or the party she wished to find. After an hour or so she returned home, only to discover that the house had been broken into. Her first thought was of her jewels. Running upstairs, she found that all her most precious diamonds and precious gems had disappeared. Then she saw through the trick, and lost no time in reporting the robbery to police headquarters.

Detective Helan ran down the thief and secured all of the stolen property, except \$3 in money.

While she slept the detectives searched the room and found the stolen gems. Then she was awakened and taken to No. 1 station and locked up. She admitted having written the mysterious letter and to having entered the house by smashing the rear door with an ax.

The officer found a man who lives across

The crime with which the young woman is charged, and which she admits, with little apparent concern, was the robbery of the residence of Mrs. Frederick Mertins, No. 111 Sixth street northwest, last Thursday night, when she succeeded in entering the house and carrying off nearly \$1,000 worth of diamonds, jewelry and other valuables.

The woman came from New York two years ago, and through an employment agency she secured work in the family of Mr. Mertins. About a year ago she left the place and went to live in a house in the Division.

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SUICIDE OF G. A. JORDAN

The Well-Known Real Estate Agent Ends His Suffering.

PUTS A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN

He Had Been a Sick Man for Several Months and This Appears to Have Prompted the Deed—Gave No One an Intimation of His Intention.

Despondent because of ill health, and while probably suffering from temporary mental aberration, George A. Jordan, a lawyer and real estate broker, of No. 1417 F street northwest, shot himself through the head at the Howard House yesterday afternoon. He was found unconscious and removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he died at 10:30 last night. The weapon with which he committed the deed was a 32-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver.

Mr. Jordan has been a sufferer from gripe since last fall, and the disease so impaired his physical condition that he has never been a well man since.

Yesterday morning, shortly after 8 o'clock, he left his residence, No. 1417 F street, to come down town, as was his daily custom. His family did not observe anything peculiar in his manner, and he gave no hint of any intention to end his life. He seemed to feel no worse than usual, and left the house apparently in good spirits. After remaining at his office for an hour or more, he went over to Judge Weed's office, in the Corcoran Building, and remained twenty minutes or half an hour. He had no particular errand, but, as Judge Weed is a roomer at his house, Mr. Jordan frequently dropped in to see him during the day.

From Judge Weed's office Mr. Jordan must have gone directly to the Howard House with the deliberate intention of committing suicide. It was about 11 o'clock when he walked up to the desk in that hotel and registered his name, "G. A. Jordan, city." He then asked to be accommodated with a room, and Clerk Mitchell assigned him to No. 50, on the second floor front. He was not known at the hotel, and, having no baggage, he paid for his room in advance, and was shown up at once.

After that, no one remembered having seen him about the lobby during the remainder of the day, and he did not take dinner in the dining-room. Shortly after 3 o'clock one of the colored bell boys, who was on one of the upper floors of the house, came running down to the desk and informed Manager Maynard that he had heard the report of a pistol in room No. 50. The boy had not ventured to look inside and, when several of the attendants of the house went to look, they found the door unlocked and Jordan lying prostrate upon the floor. The smoking weapon was still clutched in his right hand, and blood was oozing from an ugly wound in his head directly over the right ear. He was completely dressed, except for his coat which he had taken off and hung over the back of a chair. The man had evidently stood up deliberately in the middle of the room and aimed at his temple. His hand had probably faltered and the ball went in such a way that he had intended it should.

The room was otherwise in fairly good order, but so far as could be learned the suicide had left no farewell message or letter.

A telephone call was at once sent for the Emergency ambulance and Jordan was removed to the hospital, where Dr. Van Hook, Dr. Bahr and Dr. Tuohemman probed the wound and located the bullet on the left side of the skull just above the left ear. The lead had plowed its way through the brain and left a terrible wound, from which cerebral hemorrhage resulted. Dr. Van Hook, of the attending staff, was also called in, but could do nothing further. After the wound was dressed he was removed to one of the wards, where his wife and three daughters visited him. He remained unconscious, however, from the time he was taken to the hospital, and did not revive to recognize his friends.

Mr. Jordan was about fifty-five years of age, and has lived in Washington the greater part of his life. He was, for twenty years prior to the first Cleveland administration, chief of the Division of Lands and Captured Property of the Treasury Department. After having left the Government service he embarked in the real estate business, and so far as known, was successful, and had no financial troubles. He was a Mason of high degree, a member of the Royal Arcanum, and a number of other secret and benevolent societies.

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